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REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, First and Second Paragraphs. Further, Claims 1-8 are rejected as being anticipated by Stotts, et al. ("Stotts") ("Multiple Source Localization Using GPS Technology and Received Arrival Time Structure Analysis in an Air-Deployed System," IEEE Journal of Oceanic Engineering, Vol. 22, No. 3, July 1977).

Consistent with the Interview and Interview Summary of August 23, 2005, and the Statement of the Substance of the Interview of August 24, 2005, Applicant has incorporated the proposed changes by amending independent Claims 1 and 9 as well as making minor conforming changes to other claims (as indicated above). Accordingly, as indicated, Applicant gratefully acknowledges that these changes resolve the 35 U.S.C. Section 112 rejections and overcome the 35 U.S.C. Section 102(b) rejection over Stotts thus placing Claims 1-17 in condition for immediate allowance.

Formal Matters and Conclusions

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that claims 1-17, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary.

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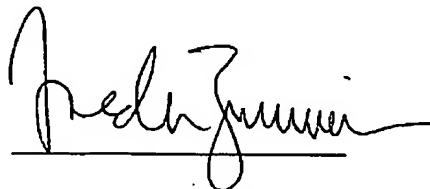
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